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Interview Summary

Application No.
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Applicant(s)
Yamagishi et al.

Examiner
Raeann Gorden

Group Art Unit
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Raeann Gorden

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(2) Robert Masters

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Date of Interview Jul 16, 2001

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 13-19

Identification of prior art discussed:

Ohsumi

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) N/A

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

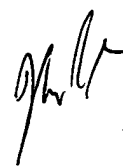
Applicant did not understand the comments from the Examiner on the advisory action (paper #29). Examiner explained that the previous amendments had been corrected but the 112, 1st paragraph rejections had been retained. Examiner directed applicant's attention to the previous interview summary and the final rejection. Applicant briefly explained the difference between the present application and the Ohsumi reference. Examiner advised applicant to send in a response regarding the details. Applicant said a CPA would probably be filed with a preliminary amendment and also an interview would be scheduled.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.


Mark S. Graham
Primary Examiner